

--copolyetherpolyester--

Page 28, line 17: Please change "5,375,441" to --5,376,441--.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend claims 1, 3-9, 13-17, 27, 31-38, and 41-44 as follows:

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1. (Amended) A flocked article comprising
a substrate comprising expanded PTFE; and
at least one layer of flock particulate attached to at least a portion of said
expanded PTFE so that at least a portion of the flock particulate stands on end
to form a flocked surface, wherein said flocked surface has a wear test cycles to
leakage [an abrasion to leakage value] of at least 50 [wear] cycles.

3. (Amended) The flocked article of claim 1, wherein said flocked surface
has a wear test cycles to leakage [an abrasion to leakage value] of at least 75
[wear] cycles.

4. (Amended) The flocked article of claim 1, wherein said flocked surface
has a wear test cycles to leakage [an abrasion to leakage value] of at least 200
[wear] cycles.

5. (Amended) The flocked article of claim 1, wherein said flocked surface
has a wear test cycles to leakage [an abrasion to leakage value] of at least 500
[wear] cycles.

6. (Amended) The flocked article of claim 1, wherein said flocked surface
has a wear test cycles to leakage [an abrasion to leakage value] of at least 1000
[wear] cycles.

7. (Amended) The flocked article of claim 1, wherein said flocked surface
has a wear test cycles to leakage [an abrasion to leakage value] of at least 2000
[wear] cycles.

8. (Amended) The flocked article of claim 1, wherein said flocked surface
has a wear test cycles to leakage [an abrasion to leakage value] of at least 3000
[wear] cycles.

9. (Amended) The flocked article of claim 1, wherein said flocked surface
has a wear test cycles to leakage [an abrasion to leakage value] of at least 4000
[wear] cycles.

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13. (Amended) The flocked article of claim 1, wherein said substrate further
comprises at least one material selected from the group consisting of nylons,

polyesters, cottons, rayons, acrylics, cellulose acetates, wool, carbon, fiberglass, and rubber[, vinyl and leatherboard].

14. (Amended) The flocked article of claim 1, wherein said at least one layer of flock particulate comprises at least one material selected from the group consisting of nylons, cottons, polyesters, modacrylics, aramids, rayons, acrylics, [cellulose acetates,] wool, carbon, and fiberglass, [rubber, vinyl and leatherboard].

15. (Amended) The flocked article of claim 1, wherein said substrate further comprises at least one material selected from the group consisting of polyesters, copolyesters, fluoroelastomers, block copolymers, copolyesterethers, copolyetheresteramides, olefinics, copolyetherpolyesters, copolyetherurethanes, polyethylenes, polyamides, polyethyleneimine, polyamines, polypropylene, polycarbonates, polymethylmethacrylate, polyvinylchlorides, polyvinylidene fluoride, polysulfone, polystyrenes, polyolefins, modacrylics, and aramids [and polyacrylonitriles].

16. (Amended) The flocked article of claim 1, wherein said at least one layer of flock particulate comprises at least one polymer selected from the group consisting of polyesters, [copolyesters, fluoroelastomers, block copolymers, copolyesterethers, copolyetheresteramides, olefinics, copolyetherpolyesters, copolyetherurethanes,] polyethylenes, polypropylene, [polycarbonates, polymethylmethacrylate, polyvinylchlorides, polyvinylidene fluoride, polysulfone, polystyrenes, polyolefins,] modacrylics, and aramids [and polyacrylonitriles].

17. (Amended) The flocked article of claim 2, wherein said at least one adhesive layer comprises at least one material selected from the group consisting of acrylics, acrylamides, epoxies, [silicones,] urethanes, polyesters, polyesters cross-linked with polyfunctional isocyanates and fluoropolymers.

27. (Amended) A flocked article comprising:

a substrate having a first side and a second side wherein said first side comprises a water resistant, wind resistant breathable material; and

at least one layer of flock particulate attached to at least a portion of said first side so that at least a portion of the flock particulate stands on end; wherein said article has a wear test cycles to leakage [an abrasion to leakage value] of at least 50 cycles.

31. (Amended) The flocked article of claim 27, said flocked surface has a wear test cycles to leakage [an abrasion to leakage value] of at least 100 [wear] cycles.

32. (Amended) The flocked article of claim 27, wherein said flocked surface has a wear test cycles to leakage [an abrasion to leakage value] of at least 500 [wear] cycles.

33. (Amended) The flocked article of claim 27, wherein said flocked surface has a wear test cycles to leakage [an abrasion to leakage value] of at least 1000 [wear] cycles.

34. (Amended) The flocked article of claim 27, wherein said flocked surface has a wear test cycles to leakage [an abrasion to leakage value] of at least 2000 [wear] cycles.

35. (Amended) A flocked article comprising
a substrate having at least a first side and a second side wherein said first side comprises expanded PTFE;

at least one layer of flock particulate attached to at least a portion of said first side so that at least a portion of the flock particulate stands on end; and

at least one layer of flock particulate attached to at least a portion of said second side.

36. (Amended) The flocked article of claim 35, wherein said flocked surface has a wear test cycles to leakage [an abrasion to leakage value] on said first side of at least 50 [wear] cycles.

37. (Amended) The flocked article of claim 35, wherein said flocked surface has a wear test cycles to leakage [an abrasion to leakage value] on said first side of at least 500 [wear] cycles.

38. (Amended) The flocked article of claim 35, wherein said flocked surface has a wear test cycles to leakage [an abrasion to leakage value] on said first side of at least 1000 [wear] cycles.

39. (Amended) A flocked article comprising
a substrate comprising expanded PTFE membrane having a coating of water resistant, moisture vapor permeable material, and
at least one layer of flock particulate attached to at least a portion of the coated membrane so that at least a portion of the flock particulate stands on end, wherein said flocked surface has a wear test cycles to leakage [an abrasion to leakage value] of at least 50 [wear] cycles.